

STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received a complete renewal application for groundwater discharge permit NEV89026 from the following applicant:

Weed Heights Development, LLC 2 Austin Drive Yerington, NV 89447

The applicant owns a wastewater treatment system located northwest of Yerington, NV on the site of the former Anaconda open-pit copper mine. The treatment system consists of three (3) 38,000-gallon compartmented septic tanks, 2 clay-lined facultative treatment ponds, and 2 unlined evaporation/percolation ponds. Influent flow to this treatment system originates in the community of Weed Heights which includes approximately 300 residential units, one coffee shop, one RV-Park, and several small businesses. The applicant is currently permitted to discharge 0.063 million gallons of effluent per day to the facultative and disposal ponds. No changes to the current permit have been requested by the applicant.

The Division has made the tentative determination to renew the permit for a period of five (5) years.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or requests, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on **September 7, 2012,** either in person or by mail to:

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. on **September 7, 2012,** will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Art Marr, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9432, or at amarr@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.

Please bring the forgoing notice to the attention of all persons who may be interested in this matter.